

21. (Amended) A method of manufacturing a liquid toner composition for electrophotography, comprising the steps of:

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heating a thermoplastic resin within a solvent capable of dissolving said thermoplastic resin when heated and substantially incapable of dissolving said resin at room temperature, an SP (solubility parameter) value of said solvent being adjusted to control the particle diameter of toner particles on a basis of a difference between an SP value of the resin and the SP value of the solvent, after dispersing and mixing said thermoplastic resin in said solvent while performing stirring, to dissolve said resin in said solvent; and

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cooling the mixture to permit precipitation of the toner particles, wherein inorganic fine particles are added to the mixture before initiation of the toner particle precipitation.

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22. (Amended) A method of manufacturing a liquid toner composition for electrophotography, according to claim 21, wherein said liquid toner composition contains at least one of a dispersant and one or more antistats selected from the group consisting of nigrosine series dyes, manganese naphthenate, calcium naphthenate, zirconium naphthenate, cobalt naphthenate, iron naphthenate, lead naphthenate, nickel naphthenate, chromium naphthenate, zinc naphthenate, magnesium naphthenate, manganese octylate, calcium octylate, zirconium octylate, iron octylate, lead octylate, cobalt octylate, chromium octylate, zinc octylate, magnesium octylate, manganese dodecylate, calcium dodecylate, zirconium dodecylate, iron dodecylate, lead dodecylate, cobalt dodecylate, nickel dodecylate, chromium dodecylate, zinc dodecylate and magnesium dodecylate; calcium dodecylbenzene sulphonate, sodium dodecylbenzene sulphonate, barium

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dodecylbenzene sulphonate; lecithin and cephalin; and n-decyl amine.

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23. (Amended) A method of manufacturing a liquid toner composition for electrophotography, according to claim 22, wherein an amount of said one or more antistats is 0.5 to 50% by weight, based on the amount of solid components of the liquid toner composition.
